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ARTIFICIAL CORUNDUM CRYSTAL

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AMENDED ABSTRACT

A main object of the present invention is to provide an An artificial corundum crystal which can be put into practical use at low costs, and a process for producing the same. The invention provides an artificial corundum crystal eentaining contains a seed crystal and having has at least one crystal face selected from the group consisting of a {113} face, a {012} face, a {104} face, a {110} face, a {101} face, a {116} face, a {211} face, a {122} face, a {214} face, a {100} face, a {125} face, a {223} face, a {131} face, and a {312} face. The invention further provides a process for producing [[an]] the artificial corundum crystal, wherein an artificial corundum crystal having a hexagonally dipyramidal shape as its base shape is formed includes forming with a seed crystal by a flux evaporation method of heating a sample containing a raw material and a flux to precipitate a crystal and grow the crystal by use of flux evaporation as a driving force.